Correct me if I am wrong but one of the reasons we have multiple cell phone services in the US is for competition reasons and to minimize the monopoly. We want people to choose the best service for their situation. In other countries this is not the case. There are a limited number of service options. With this limit however comes increased reception. Never in many countries will you cross a city line and totally lose a signal.

With the blocking of portable cell numbers Americans get the worst of both worlds. We get a limited service since all providers operate their own or shared towers, and we still do no have the flexibility to choose different providers and keep the same cell number.

As industrial as America is, we are far behind in the cell phone race if you will. Allowing portable numbers will force the providers to compete for continuing customers not just new customers.

One can compare this to buying a new car. As it stands now you can transfer plates from one car to another with a few signed papers. If these were cell phones Ford would own your license plate and you couldnt buy another make car unless paying an early termination fee, new connection fee...ect.

If the USA wants to be a leader they have to do this.

Thank you for your time

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